The Caledonian Mercury.

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From the Daily Post-Boy, July 19.

Paris, July 22.

THE Rector of St. Sulpice has obtained of his Majesty a certain Number of Brass Cannon to cast into Bells for his Church. If this be all the Use the Cannon is put to, there is not much Fear of War: And perhaps it was upon this Piece of News that the Stocks rose in England t'other Day. On the other hand, there are some things that look like *Omens* of War: Persons running headlong into Processes of Law; Fathers and Children, Brothers against Sisters, Husbands against Wives, &c. But we will leave our Law-suits here, and go to a frightful Story, sent us from Maine: A ravenous wild Beast preys there, and has already devoured 12 Persons about Mans, and 8 towards Vendosmer, and wounded a great many others. This Creature is no bigger than a Calf, but very daring and bold, and has a Nose of a considerable Length. A Dragoon belonging to the Collonel General quartered in the Castle of Loir, fought with it some time, but could not give any Wound, or make any Impression on the Beast. 'Tis thought there are several other of the same Species, and that they must be reduc'd by Force of Arms. However this deviliſh Beast has put all the Country in terrible Consternation,

From a Weekly Journal, July 19.

They write from Paris, that their Squadron is preparing at Toulon, (which had been countermanded on the Prospect of a Peace) to sail immediately to bombard Tripoli a 2d time. And from Spain, That their Court is meditating a Design to Bombard Algiers; and that the K. of Sardinia and some other Potentates of Italy, will join them with their Forces.

But whether these are the true Reasons of the above Preparations, or given to cover some other Design, we may perceive that the *French* and *Spanish Ministry* will not be trifled with, and that, whatever others may do, they think Indignities offered them, a justifiable and necessary Occasion to shew, *in good Earnest*, their Resentments of bad Usage. They tell us farther, that the King of Spain, who continues at Port St. Mary's, near his Fleet, has ordered a Camp of 12000 Men, to divert the young Princes: But most People think they are design'd for more than a *Raree shew*, or to please Children, and such as have no Concern but to gratify their Curiosity.

London, July 19. On Thursday last 3 Gentlewomen, all Roman-Catholicks, and of Distinction, in St. Andrew's, Holburn, were taken into Custody of Mr. Sharpless, High Constable of that Division, being charged upon Oath with cursing his Majesty, and using other opprobrious Words against the Government.

Wye's Letter verbatim, London, July 22.

Since our last arrived the French and Dutch Mails.

WE hear from the Assizes at Hertford, where Mr. Baron Carter sat on the Crown side, that 2 Gentlemen were committed for crowding the Court, and not retiring so soon as was required; they were 2 Days in the County Goal, and then discharged at the Intercession of the Grand Jury: And that the Sheriff was fined because the aforenamed Jury were not ready in due Time to be sworn.

Yesterday the Court met at the old Baily for the Trial of Mr. Bambrige, upon the Indictment against him for Felony: But none of the Judges being there, it was put off till next Sessions. Great Intercession is making in behalf of James Cluff, convicted (as mentioned in our last) upon an Appeal of Murder; and 'tis said a certain eminent Surgeon, at the Request of several Persons of the first Quality, hath made a particular Enquiry into the Circumstances of this Matter.

On Sunday last the *Eagle*, Capt. Gay, arrived in the River from Greenland, with 2 large Whales. How it has fared with the rest, the Master could give no Account, he having seen none of them since the 3d of May; but that about 3 Weeks ago, he spoke with a Dutchman off the North Cape, who told

told him that the Engliſh had met with extraordinary Succeſs, having caught upwards of 40 Whales; but the Dutch had very ill Luck, 50 of their Ships having not got one Whale.

We are at a loſs to know how to judge or what to believe of Affairs abroad. The Letters from Paris by the French Mail took no notice of the Courier Banniers being returned thither; whereas thoſe from Paris of the 23d Inſt. by the Holland Mail ſay, that the Courier Banniers returned thither the Day before the Date, and that the News brought by him contains in Subſtance, 'That by a Convention, a 'Truce for 14 Years is eſtabliſhed; That 12,000 'Spaniſh Troops, or auxiliary Swiſs, are to be ſent 'to Italy, to take at a convenient time Poſſeſſion 'of Tuſcany and Parma for Don Carlos, to whom 'thoſe Troops are to take an Oath of Fidelity; 'and that all which had been ſettled by the Preli'minary Articles of the 31ſt of May 1727 ſhall 'ſubſiſt entire, except what ſhall be thought neceſ'ſary to alter by the preſent Proviſional Conven'tion, of which they are to make a formal Trea'ty at the Congreſs of Soiſſons, which will be re'newed in September next.' On the other hand, thoſe by the ſaid Mail dated the 26th tell us, that the Courier Banniers was arrived there with good News, but that he had not brought a deciſive Anſwer.

Letters from on board the *Cornwall* at Spithead ſay, that on the 20th Inſt. arrived there the *Otter* from Sheerneſs, and the *Lyon* was daily expected there from Portſmouth; That the *Phœnix*, *Scarborough* and *Drake ſloop*, are to ſail the firſt fair Wind for Gibraltar, and Lord Muſcary for the Coaſt of Africa, and that a great many Men had been impreſſed for ſeveral Days paſt out of the homeward bound Ships.

We hear Meſſengers are in queſt of ſome of our *Mercuries* on account of publiſhing ſome ſcandalous Papers laſt Week, and that one or two of them are taken up.

'Tis thought further Time will be ſpent, but not (as ſome ſuggeſt) in fruitleſs Negociations. The Stocks continue at a good Price, viz. that of S. S. 103 3 4ths.

From the Evening Poſt, July 22.

Hanover, July 21. They aſſure us that the King's Journey to Gratz will not take up above 15 or 16 Days: ſome indeed ſtretch it to 3 Weeks; That the Court will then proceed to Lunenburg, and to ſome other Parts of his Majeſty's Dominions, to review the reſt of his Troops; which done he will return to Herenhauſen, and continue there 5 or 6 Weeks before he goes for London.

London, July 22. The *Torrington*, Capt. Vincent, is appointed to carry the Earl of Kinnoul to Conſtantinople.

Extract of a Letter from St. Chriſtopher's, May 26.

"We have frequent Advice of the Spaniſh Pri"vateers being buſy about the Leeward Iſlands: "And we have a poſitive Account of their having "landed on St. John's, (an Iſland near St. Tho"mas's) and carried off ſeveral Negroes. Our "Man of War is now upon the Cruize near theſe "Iſlands.

From the Whitehall Evening-Poſt, July 22.

Hague, July 26. On Sunday in the Evening arrived here an Expreſs from the Plenipotentiaries of this Republick now at the Court of France, with the agreeable News of the Arrival of the Courier Bannieres, (who it ſeems was ſet upon by two Highwaymen near Orleans) with the K. of Spain's ſatisfactory Anſwer. This News cannot be agreeable to the King of Pruſſia, who could never perſwade himſelf that the Allies of Hanover would be able to make any advantageous Accommodation without him.

London, July 22. A new Man of War of 60 Guns is going to be launched at Woolwich, alſo a Bomb Ketch of 300 Tons. The *Newcaſtle*, of 50 Guns, and the *Roebuck* of 40, having been pull'd to Pieces, are going to be rebuilt. The *Neptune* of 90 Guns, and the *Rannelagh* of 80, which are rebuilding there, are in a very great Forwardneſs; and the building of an 80 Gun Ship, in the room of the *Somerſet*, which is now made a Hulk, is not much behind them. The *Preſton* Man of War is now in the Dock there, in order to be ſurveyed.

From the Daily Poſt Boy, July 22.

Port St. Mary's, July 10. On the 30th of June arrived in the Bay of Cadix an Advice-boat from Carthagena, being a Prize of Zealand; ſhe brought an Account of the taking a Dutch Interloper on that Coaſt; together with 3 more and 2 Billanders and an Engliſh Veſſel on the Coaſt of Caracques. The Spaniſh Men of War that have lain ſo long at Anchor in the Bay of Cadix, and which we thought were going upon ſome Expedition, are now, as we hear, countermanded; and the Deſign of Bombarding Algiers is laid aſide.

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From St. James's Evening-Post, July 22.

Vienna, July 13. Neceſſary Orders are iſſued for raiſing 4000 Men in the Hereditary Countries, to complete the Imperial Regiments in Italy.

Dublin, June 15. A ſurprizing Quantity of Salmon and other Fiſh were taken in Sieves and ſuch like Utenſils, early on Sunday Morning laſt, in many Parts of the River, occaſioned, as 'tis ſaid, by the great Lightning which was obſerved the Night before in the Bay: They were of great Relief to the Poor.

Portſmouth, July 21. On Thurſday was ſhot on board Admiral Somelſdike a Dutchman, for Deſertion.

London, July 22. The Storm of Thunder and Lightning which happened the Beginning of laſt Week, did conſiderable Damage in the Country, particulaaly at Chegwell in Eſſex, where it burnt a Farm-houſe to the Ground, and ſeveral Barns thereabouts: It likewiſe conſumed a Field of Corn, beſides other Miſchief. By the ſame Storm a Man at Birmingham was killed.

From the French Amſterdam Gazette, July 29.

Rome, July 9. The 2d of this Month there was an Examination of Biſhops in the Pope's Preſence; when his Holineſs created two Cardinals, viz. M. Borgeſe, his Major-domo, and M. Ferreri, a Dominican, Biſhop of Alexandria. The next Day his Holineſs Confirmed the eldeſt Son of the Chevalier de St. George, who aſſiſted thereat, with ſeveral Prelates.

Hague, July 29. The Letters from Paris of the 26th, juſt come to hand, confirm the Arrival of the Cabinet Courier Bannieres; but then, they add, That tho' the Diſpatches he has brought may be favourable, and that every thing tends to promote a Peace, yea, that we flatter our ſelves the Effects of the Galleons will be ſoon diſtribute; yet he has brought nothing *deciſive*: And they daily expect *another Courier* from Spain, who, 'tis hoped, will bring ſomething more *poſitive* upon the Affair.

This Day (being the 14th of the Moon) 'tis High Water at Leith at 12 o' Clock, 42 Min. Tomorrow, at 1, 30 Min. On Wedneſday, at 2, 18 Min.

ADVERTISEMENTS.

To be Let out, at a very reaſonable Rate,

A very fine NEW HEARSE, a rich Velvet PALL-CLOTH and all other requiſite Furniture, with MOURNING COACHES, &c. by *WILLIAM LAWDER*, Coachmaker without the Watergate, Canongate-foot; who is now well provided to ſerve any Nobleman, Gentleman or others that way.

†¶† That the Lands called *The THIRD*, with the *Loch* adjoined thereto, lying within the Pariſh of Martoun and Shire of Berwick, (the free yearly Rent thereof amounting to the Sum of Eleven Hundred Merks Scots Money, or thereby) are to be expoſed to Sale by voluntar Roup, upon the 24th Day of *November* next, betwixt the Hours of 3 and 4 in the Afternoon, in John's Coffeehouſe, Edinburgh. The Rental, Progreſs, and Articles of Sale, may be ſeen in the Hands of *John Hay* Writer to the Signet, at his Houſe in the Parliament-Cloſe, or with the Proprietor at his Houſe at Bemerſide, lying in the Weſt-end of the Merſe, in the ſaid Pariſh of Martoun.

‖*‖ There is Stoln out of the Barony of Kilmares, in the Pariſh of Dreghorn, Balliary of Cuningham and Shire of Air, Two dark-colour'd gray HORSES, both long tail'd, the one cut-man'd, and the other long man'd, that one cut man'd has a broken Tooth in his Fore-mouth, about L. 7 Sterling Price each, about or under 6 Years of Age. Any who can give Account of both or either to George Craig preſent Baillie of Irvine, or Mr. James Macqueen Bookſeller in Edinburgh, ſhall have a ſufficient Reward.

*** That the HAY in Barnbougle Eaſter Park being rucked in good Caſe, is to be Sold either in Whole or in Part, and the Foggage of the ſaid Park to be Sette to Candlemas next. Any who has a mind for it may call for Andrew Pride at his Houſe in the South Park of Barnbougle.

‖ That the TENEMENTS, Back and Fore, with Shops and Officehouſes, in the Burgh of Dumfries, which pertained to Thomas Hunter Chirurgeon there, Are, all together, or ſeparately, to be expoſed to Sale by publick voluntary Roup, by the Magiſtrates of the ſaid Burgh and the Truſtees appointed by the ſaid Thomas Hunter, in the Council-chamber in Dumfries, on the *Second Thurſday* of Auguſt next, betwixt the Hours of 2 and 4 after Noon. The Rental, Progreſs, and Conditions of Sale, are to be ſeen at the Town clerk's Office in Dumfries.

Advertiſement from the Truſtees of MERCHISTON, BLAIR and LETHEM.

The TRUSTEES having prepared all things for a Sale of the Lands of Merchiſton, reſolve, That the Ranking ſhall be immediately finiſhed, that ſo a Dividend may be made without Delay, when the Money comes to be paid: This is therefore to advertiſe all the Creditors of the reſpective common Debitors, that they furthwith Depone before the ARBITERS upon the Verity of their Debts; and for that Purpoſe, Attendance will be given by the Arbiters in John's Coffeehouſe, upon each Friday and Wedneſday in the Week (betwixt the Hours of 4 and 5 in the Afternoon) of this Seſſion, for taking the Creditors Oaths; who are intreated to come in ſpeedily for that Purpoſe, that ſo their own Affairs may not be prolonged. Such as cannot come in, may apply to the Arbiters, by their Doers, for a Commiſſion; which will be granted, if they ſhew a reaſonable Cauſe or Impediment why they cannot come in to depone at Edinburgh.

¶¶ At *EDINBURGH*, on Wednesday the 15th of October next, the *Professors of MEDICINE* will open their usual *Colleges* on the following Branches of *Medicine*, which make up a complete System of that Science, *viz.*

ANATOMY Humane and Comparative, CHIRURGICAL OPERATIONS and BANDAGES, by *Alexander Monro P. A. & F. R. S.* in the Anatomical Theatre of the University.

MATERIA MEDICA & METHODUS PRÆSCRIBENDI, in the Physicians Hall, by Dr. *Charles Alstone P. B. R. & Pr. Simpl.* who also in the Summer teaches BOTANY in the Physick-Garden.

The THEORY of MEDICINE explained and illustrated, by Dr. *Andrew St. Clair* and Dr. *John Rutherfoord Med. Theor. & Pract. P. P.*

The PRACTICE of MEDICINE in external and internal Diseases, delivered by Dr. *John Innes* and Dr. *Andrew Plummer Med. & Chem. P. P.*

A complete Course of CHYMISTRY Theoretical and Experimental, demonstrated by the four last mentioned Professors.

These three last Parts of Medicine are taught in the Chymical Elaboratory, adjoining to the University: Where all Sorts of Chymical Medicines thus publickly prepared are sold to Apothecaries.

†§† The Committee appointed by the general Meeting of the Contributors for erecting a Hospital for SICK POOR at Edinburgh, having now fitted up a House, and provided convenient Accommodation for a certain Number of sick Persons, conform to the present Stock, Hereby give notice, That upon Wednesday the 6th of August next, a Physician and Surgeon will attend, from 3 to 4 after Noon, in the Infirmary, at the Head of Robertson's Close, near the College, to receive such Persons as shall be judged proper Objects of this Charity, and to give Advice and Medicines during their Sickness. 'Tis earnestly desired, such Subscribers as have not yet paid the Sums subscribed towards raising a Stock for this Infirmary, will assoon as possible order Payment to be made to Mr. David Spence at the Bank-office, or to Henry Balcanquel Writer, at Mr. Armour's Writing-chamber opposite to the Entry to the Parliament-close, with whom Receipts are lodged: And 'tis hoped that others, seeing the good Effects of this charitable Undertaking, will be encouraged to promote the same, and render it more extensive and useful, in relieving more of the numerous Poor from Sickness and Want.

¶¶ That the Good Ship the *Margaret of Prestonpans*, Burden between 70 & 80 Tons, Capt. David Reid, with her Float boat, Furniture and haill Apparelling, as she presently lies in the Harbour of Port-Seton; is to be exposed to publick voluntar Roup and Sale, in the House of William Brown Merchant in Leith, upon Wednesday next the 30th Day of July Instant, betwixt the Hours of 4 & 6 in the Afternoon. The Inventary of the Ship and Articles of Roup, to be seen in the Shop of Baillie Wm. Carmichael, Merchant on the North side of the Street, Edinburgh, opposite to the Cross-well; at Brody's Coffeehouse in Leith, in the Hands of George Mackenzie at Port-Seton; and the said William Brown

By the Trustees for the Creditors of MERCHISTON,
(By ADJOURNMENT)

The Lands and Barony of MERCHISTON, with the FEUS thereto belonging, Lying, Comprehending, and Paying of free yearly Rent, as formerly advertised, are to be exposed to Sale in Bulk, on *Friday* the 1st August, in the House of Wm. Gray Vintner in the Assembly Close, Edinburgh, betwixt the Hours of 3 and 5 in the Afternoon. And in case Purchasers do not appear for buying the Lands whole-sale, then they are immediately, and at the same Diet, to be exposed to Sale by the Parcels and at the Rents following, *viz.* The Lands of *Tipperline* and *Myreside*, and the Feu belonging to Richard Johnston, with 34 Acres of the arable Land next adjacent thereto, and presently possessed by Rankeilor, paying yearly as follows, viz. these possessed by Alexander Scot Tenant, L. 73, 6, 8, in Money, and 42 Bolls 3 Firlots 1 Peck Wheat, 89 Bolls 2 Pecks Bear, 12 Bolls 2 Firlots 2 Pecks 1 Lippie Oats, 24 Hens, 32 Carriages, and 6 Turse of Straw; Richard Johnston, for his Feu, L. 345, 12, 6, and the said 34 Acres possessed by Rankeilor being at L. 22, 10, per Acre. *Item*, The Lands of *Gorgiemuir*, *Sunderland* and *Duncanslee*, with 33 Acres wanting 3 Falls of the arable Land next adjacent, also presently possessed by Rankeilor, and paying yearly as follows, viz. the Lands possessed by John Young, 34 Bolls Wheat, 107 Bolls Bear, 13 Bolls Oats, and 4 Bolls Pease, with 40 Hens, 86 Carriages, and 6 Turse of Straw; and the said Acres possessed by Rankeilor, also at L. 22, 10, per Acre. *Item*, The Lands called *Tyncastle*, and Lands called *Twenty-Acres*, and Lands of *Craig-Inglis*, possessed by John Fairer, paying yearly L. 5, 6, 8, in Money, and 29 Bolls 3 Firlots 1 Peck Wheat, 79 Bolls 1 Firlot 3 Pecks Bear, 6 Bolls 2 Firlots 2 Pecks Oats, with 24 Hens, and 40 Carriages. *Item*, The Parks, consisting of 44 Acres, 35 Falls, (after Deduction of near 4 Acres for the Gardens, Houses, &c.) at L. 25 per Acre, and a Parcel of Land on the North-East of them, consisting of 14 Acres, 46 Falls, at L. 22, 10, per Acre; with the House, Gardens and Planting, the Gardens containing 3 Acres or thereby, not rentalled, and to be set up at L. 400 Sterl. and 12 Cotehouses, paying L. 67 yearly. *Item*, William Adam and James Bayne's Feus, the first paying L. 637, 10, and the other L. 150 yearly, are to sold, either separately, or along with any of the foregoing Parcels. *Item*, The Fen-duty of L. 4 payable to the Crown, and 7 Bolls 2 Firlots Wheat, and 89 Bolls 2 Firlots 3 Lippie Bear, of payable Teind, is to be deduced from the several Parcels in proportion to the Quantity of Rent; and the 20 Merks payable to the Town of Edinburgh of Feu for Little Merchiston, is to be deduced from the Rent of the Parcel in which it falls. The L. 200 payable by the Town of Edinbugh during the Gift of the 2 Pennies on the Pint of Ale, is to be set up at 15 Years Purchase to any Purchaser. The general and particular Rentals, Progress of Writs and Conditions of Sale, are to be seen in the Hands of JAMES HALIBURTON, Writer to the Signet and Clerk to the Trustees, at his Chamber in the Luckenbooths.

Nota, *The Lands in Tenantry are very cheap set. a good part being less than 2 Bolls and the rest not above 2 Bolls 2 Pecks per Acre. A Map and Measure of the several Parcels of the Estate, done by Mr. Adams, is to be seen in John's Coffee house.*

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